

Community Preparedness Network (CPRN)

Office of Public Health- Center for Community Preparedness

Goal/Purpose

Host emergency preparedness trainings that are designed to assist hard-to-reach communities with establishing their own community emergency preparedness plan in the event of a natural disaster or pandemic flu outbreak. CPRN will provide these hard-to-reach populations a point of contact during natural disasters or pan flu outbreak and make available resources to assist them with relief and recovery efforts specific for their communities. CPRN will also cover Ebola and Zika virus in the trainings.

Outcome

Conduct training exercises in region 1,8 and 9 with local faith-based community partners, Native American tribes, and the Hispanic/Latino communities. CPRN will train these populations in their communities with establishing their own community emergency preparedness plans in the event of a natural disaster or pandemic flu outbreak.

In the event of a pandemic flu outbreak, the CPRN Resource Center in Slidell will train partners on how make contact with block captains concerning home quarantine procedures and refer to their emergency kits for additional instructions. There will be open lines of communication between the block captains, CPRN Resource Center, the Bureau of Minority Health Access, the Chahta Native American tribe and the Office of Public Health Center for Community Preparedness. CPRN will conduct pandemic flu and Zika virus trainings and workshops; assist in the purchase of pan flu supplies; train participants how to conduct door-to-door health assessments through surveys in these communities.

When a natural disaster strikes, designated Captains on each neighborhood block will receive instructions from the CPRN Resource Center and distribute that information to neighbors on their block. Each member of the Network will have an Emergency Preparedness Kit and a checklist of items inside. A pre-determined rendezvous point will be selected well in advance for evacuees to meet. When everyone is accounted for that belongs to the Network, evacuees will enter their vehicles and proceed in a caravan-type fashion to designated shelters in Little

Rock, Arkansas or state-run shelters. Special arrangements will be made for those who are without transportation. Upon arriving at the shelters, evacuees will be processed as a group by FEMA under the Community Preparedness Response Network that is pre-arranged by the Arkansas Office of the Governor. This arrangement was established so that relief aid can flow much faster. A data base will be created to better organize the communities and determine their immediate needs.

**OFFICE OF
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

Bureau of Minority Health Access

**Community Preparedness Response Network
Resource Center**

Alton

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PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC AGENDA MEETING

Tuesday October 18, 2016

7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. PRAYER-INVOCATION
4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
5. MINUTES
6. CENSUS
7. CHIEF WARHORSE GILLUM
8. AUDIT REVIEW
9. GYM CONCERNS
10. PUBLIC COMMENTS
11. ADJOURNMENT

Community Preparedness Response Network (CPRN) REPORT 2016

*Chief Elwin Warhorse Gillum
Chahta Tribe*

This CPRN report covers a period of 5 months from May to October 2016 concerning community preparedness in the event of natural disasters or pandemic outbreak in low-income communities. All meetings and Radio Shows held on Disaster Preparedness in the last 5 months.

Programs

#1- Chief Warhorse hosted 3 Radio Shows on WBOK with FEMA, which covered a wide range of topics. (added FEMA Pictures and copy of 1 Radio Show)

- a. There were two-months, and eight shows regarding preparedness and disasters.
- b. CPRN conducted community visits to talk with people about being more prepared.
- c. Held meetings with community leaders, sometimes one-on-one to show them ways they could help make a change.

#2- Visited Baton Rouge to help with Relief and Recovery (3 trips)

- a. More people were found after the flood disaster in Baton Rouge, and other parishes are taking a closer look at their own preparedness plans if this would happen again. FEMA agreed to a two-hour radio show. This show and all other shows were aired around the world and received great feedback. FEMA was great delivering information to the communities, taking calls from people who had been hit by flood disasters.

#3- Trained communities not to depend on the government for help totally, but to prepare as much as possible ahead of time by:

- a. Developing a plan that will work short term and long term, but not depend totally on outside resources for food, water, shelter, etc. Talked with community residents about preparing themselves mentally for the possibility that other disasters will follow.
- b. Trained residents on how to make disaster recovery easier by allowing agencies to bring help to communities in times of disasters. This can be achieved by talking about what to expect when facing the unknown.
- c. Trained residents how to build a network in and out of their communities.

#4- Held training discussions about lifestyle changes that can help community residents be more prepared and able locally to help feed themselves and others in times of disasters. Teach members not to abandon tribal traditions regarding preparedness by:

- a. Planting gardens so members can have healthy food on hand to share with others until help comes. (added pictures of gardens being planted).

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- b. Trained members how to plant, how to save and store foods and build food networks. (added pictures)
- c. Trained community residents how to dehydrate food and canning of foods that will give them a chance to see how tribal members survived before there was a FEMA or Red Cross. The end result was to show low income communities how to pull together and be a great part of their own recovery. (added Pictures)

#5- Doing so much with so little, but still helping and reaching masses with the Radio Show to teach preparedness.

- a. The Radio Show is on WBOK 1230am every Sat. from 2:00 to 3:00 pm, and 2 hours when needed. This station is the only Black Talk station which all races tune into. In the past, this was the only way people could hear minority community topics that discussed their needs, towns, and parishes.
- b. This Station comes with its own APP. In the event of a natural disaster or pan outbreak, tribal members and other members of the CPRN can keep in touch with the communities even if they have to evacuate.

CPRN works hard to keep this grassroots network functioning to help low income communities better understand that bringing together agencies will help make recovery easier. Chief Warhorse, director of the CPRN, gave an oral disaster readiness test which all failed, including the community leaders; but, it made them quickly understand the need for more preparedness workshops.

Mock Drill

6- Chief Warhorse held workshops with 12 people, training them to be trainers of other members, which would build a network of leaders. When training was completed, Chief had a week-long road drill in Arkansas during the month of October, living off the grid only. (added Pictures)

#7-Registration for 2017 training is open already.

#8- The Tribe has secured its own CPRN building made available through St. Genevieve Catholic Church, for Black/Indian Mission Ministry for community disaster preparedness training. Contact persons are Deacon Reggie Seymour and Mr. Stewart Faciane, under the leadership of Rev. Jose Lungay.

Barriers

- 1- Fear of Government Agencies like FEMA and etc.
- 2- Lack of understanding how recovery can and does work.
- 3- Extensive Paper Work.

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- 4- Where and how to go about getting help.
- 5- Not fully understanding who to contact for help.
- 6- Lack computer literacy.
- 7- Lack of local grassroots leaders knowing what to do in times of disasters.
- 8- Funding to expand grassroots training.

For the first time, Chief Warhorse is being requested by preachers and political leaders asking for help to train their communities. (can get letters if needed)

Solutions

- 1- Help bring more local grassroots involvement
- 2- Team Work year-round
- 3- Create more Watch Groups
- 4- Having a sound plan makes a huge difference.
- 5- Year round planning
- 6- Putting together a grassroots handbook

CPRN MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET

Project:
living off
the grid

Meeting Date: October 14-20, 2016

Facilitator: Chief Warhorse

Place: Chahta
Yakni Falama, in
Sweet Home
Arkansas

Name	Title	Address	Interest	Phone	E-Mail
Wilson Martin				228-363-2555	
Eli Thomas				985-774-0102	
Whitney Augustine				504-466-8323	
Glenn Augustine				504-259-5355	
Curtis Thomas					
Stewart Faciane				985-788-0767	
Percy C. Gillum Sr.	Trip Trainer			985-707-3833	
Noreen DeBlanc				985-328-1599	
Latroy Rome				985-707-4050	
Mary Ann Wyatt				985-607-4399	
Mike Brister				985-290-7796	
Isaac Kinchen				504-333-0298	
Percy C. Gillum Jr.	Trip Trainer			985-503-3250	



Chief Elwin "Warhorse" Gillum works closely with FEMA



The Choctaw Apache Tribe of Ebarb Report

-The Choctaw Apache Tribe of Ebarb met with the council of the Four Winds Confederacy in Leesville in a Community Preparedness Response Meeting on September 1, 2016. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss a collaboration between the two tribes to set a plan for safety in the event of a disaster or flu outbreak. Present were Choctaw Apache Vice Chairman Amelia Rivers, Councilwoman Nancy Sanchez and Administrative Assistant Christin Bison, Four Winds Vice Chairman Greg Strother, councilmen Glen Dyer and Fannie Strother. Choctaw Apache shared funding that was received with the Four Winds in order for them to go back out into their tribal community and share information and plans.(attached are a copy of sign in sheet ,group picture and check).

- On November 14, 2016 The Choctaw Apache Tribe of Ebarb held a Community Emergency Preparedness Social that was attended by over 130 members. The purpose of the social was to share information with tribal members and steps to take in the event of a natural disaster or flu outbreak. Danny Ebarb a representative of MERK Pharmaceuticals and Choctaw Apache Tribal member was the guest speaker. Chief Thomas Rivers spoke to the crowd also about the tribal plan that is in place if an event were to occur. (Sign in sheet and photos attached)

-Disabilities Don't Spook Us! This event was held October 30th at the Choctaw Apache Tribal Walking Track. In attendance were over 300 walkers who received handouts on healthy eating habits and healthy lifestyles.(Pictures attached)

-Move Your Moccasins was our walk that was held at our tribal walking track. The purpose of this walk was to promote healthy lifestyles in our tribal community. In attendance were over 400 tribal members who were blessed by tribal spiritual leader Pye Laroux. Dr. Margaret Kilcoyne a Choctaw Apache Tribal Member spoke of how to prevent diabetes and led the walk along with Tribal Chairman Thomas Rivers. Cody Bruce a registered nurse and tribal member also spoke on healthy lifestyles and the down side of diabetes. Walkers were given a t-shirt for participating. (Pictures are attached)







Choctaw Apache Tribe of Ebarb Community Emergency Preparedness

Social

1. Orla Sepulveda
2. Sue Lovitt
3. Debbie Riven
4. Celena Riven
5. ~~Bryan~~ Amanda Riven
6. Braylon Egermark
7. Deitric K Rivers
8. Kasey Messhell
9. Virginia L. Melmay
10. Virginia Coruza
11. Lindsey Huffman
12. Patsy Ebarb
13. Gayla Rivers

14. Joanne Sepeda
15. Malissa Egnack
16. Kim Ferguson
17. Pam Carting
18. Nancy Sanchez
19. Thomas Rivers
20. Sam J. Sepulvado
21. Marycat Sepulvado
22. Ty Tranel
23. Alexis Sepulvado
24. Jade Trand
25. Donna Cobb
26. Carolyn Sepulvado
27. Marla Ferguson
28. Ann Roy
29. Nikki Castillo
30. Haley Meshell

31. John Lewis
32. FRED A EBARR
33. CHERYL LOPEZ
34. Mackenzie Martinez
35. Ashley Martinez
36. Mandy Sepulvado
37. Budgett Jerguson
38. Matea
39. Moya
40. Erica Padden
41. Dawn Sepulvado
42. Deborah Cartinez
43. Deborah Swindell ~~West~~
44. Manda Rivers
45. Sherri Beverly
46. Martha Elitz
47. Molly Sepulvado

48. Rick Sepulveda
49. Madalyn Sepulveda
50. Maci Sepulveda
51. Robert Crittenden
52. Lori Crittenden
53. Olivia Crittenden
54. Steven Sepulveda
55. Angela Rivers
56. Logan Brant
57. Auldryn Sepulveda
58. Chance Malinay
59. Dorothy L. Harper
60. Alexis Hubbard
61. Melody Hubbard
62. Billy Larson
63. Alyssa Delatin
64. Allison Delatin

65. Jaime Rivers
66. Caroline Rivers
67. Jake Rivers
68. Robert Catheul II
69. Kathy P Ebarb
70. Ricki Lynette Sepulveda
71. ~~Joe Rodriguez~~
72. Viola Malmay
73. Mary Jane Sepulveda
74. Ella Sepulveda
75. Pat Hetschul - Veterans
76. Dore Procell Durr
77. Barbara P. Sepulveda
78. Jenny Loue
79. Shelly Post
80. P B Summerich
81. Kim Bedsole

82. Christy Seaman
83. Scarlett Sepulvado
84. Cheryl Meshell
85. Aaliyah Meshell
86. Ka J. MISHELL
87. Erica Samples
88. Rebecca Samples
89. Baylee Samples
90. Haley Austin
91. Jacob Austin
92. Cody Austin
93. Cheryl Austin
94. Candice Stewart
95. Misty Padde
96. Jamie Sepulvado
97. Becky Operson
98. Samantha Sepulvado

99. Kelly Masters
100. Katelyn Masters
101. Chastity Moore
102. Tammy Henderson
103. Hilary Henderson
104. Phoebe Henderson
105. Connie Bird
106. Roger Brinkley
107. Tristan Lawrence
108. Alisha Procell
109. Connor Procell
110. Drew Procell
111. Adreanne Procell
112. Shannon Procell
113. Caleb Procell
114. Cayden Porter
115. Melissa Tobey

- 116. Christian Tobey
- 117. Sheryl Proell
- 118. E. John ROGERS
- 119. Damon Rivers
- 120. Cassie Bisor
- 121. Krista Remedies
- 122. Bryn Remedies
- 123. Annastyn Remedies
- 124. Bella Remedies
- 125. Collette Sepulveda
- 126. IVA Sepulveda
- 127. Amelia Bisor Rivers
- 128. Jana Meshell
- 129. Morgan Meshell Jr.
- 130. Tristian Collins
- 131.
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